IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly cancel claims 2, 5-8, 13, and 16-19.

Kindly amend the claims as follows:

1.   (Currently Amended) A method for creating a personalized home page on a web site comprising:

presenting a entry page to ~~the~~ a_user for user entry of desired content into a web server, said web server including an associated database;

receiving said user entry of desired content from said user;

providing HTML front-ending tools for facilitating said user being able to add said desired content to the database and index the entry in a user-defined category using a web browser without the need for any additional software necessary to interact with said publicly accessible database;

associating a user account on said web site with said home page, said account including said desired content and an associated user ID and password; and

creating a personalized home page including said desired content.

2.   (Cancelled)

3.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~2~~ 1, ~~further including~~ wherein said desired content includes non-textual information ~~associated with said categories~~.

4.   (Original) The method of claim 3, wherein said non-textual information includes graphics.

5.   (Cancelled)

6.   (Cancelled)

7.   (Cancelled)

8.   (Cancelled)

9.   (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein said account further includes personalized information.

10.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~7~~ 9, where said personalized information includes a URL to the user's homepage.

11.   (Original) The method of claim 1, further including the act of password-protecting said account.

12.   (Currently Amended) An apparatus for creating a personalized home page on a web site comprising:

a web site configured to host a home page and:

present a entry page to ~~the~~ a user for user entry of desired content into a web server, said web server including an associated database;

receive said user entry of desired content from said user;

facilitate said user being able to add said desired content to the database and index the entry in a user-defined category using a web browser without the need for any additional software necessary to interact with said publicly accessible database;

associate a user account on said web site with said home page, said account including said desired content and an associated user ID and password; and

create a personalized home page including said desired content.

13.   (Cancelled)

14.   (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim ~~13~~ 12, ~~further including~~ wherein said desired content includes non-textual information ~~associated with said categories~~.

15.   (Original) The apparatus of claim 14, wherein said non-textual information includes graphics.

16.   (Cancelled)

17.   (Cancelled)

18.   (Cancelled)

19.   (Cancelled)

20.   (Original) The apparatus of claim 12 wherein said account further includes personalized information.

21.   (Original) The apparatus of claim 20, where said personalized information includes a URL to the user's homepage.

22.   (Original) The apparatus of claim 12, further including the act of password-protecting said account.